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In re Application of

Seigi AOYAMA et al.

: Art Unit:

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Application S/N 09/892,630

: Examiner:

T. Dinh

Filed: June 28, 2001

For: LEAD-FREE SOLDER, AND CONNECTION LEAD AND ELECTRICAL

COMPONENT USING SAID LEAD-FREE SOLDER

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required. [X]

Also attached:

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This preliminary amendment is directed to the above-referenced application on which a Request for Continued Examination was filed on May 19, 2003, and further to the Request for Reconsideration filed concurrently with the RCE. Prior to examination, please further amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims to read as follows (see also Appendix of Claim Amendments):

2. (Three Times Amended) A lead-free solder used to connect a connection lead to a material, comprising:

an alloy composition containing 0.002 to 0.015% by mass of phosphorus with the